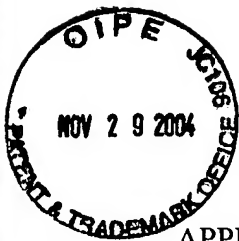


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APPLICANT: Robert Gardes

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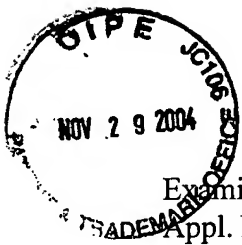
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2004. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action, making a response due by January 21, 2005. There are presently 7 claims pending in the case and all claims are rejected. Applicant is submitting this response in order to place the case in condition for allowance or appeal.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:



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